Thyroid cancer treatment in the AIIMS

3769. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases since 1st January, 1987 which could not be treated for thyroid cancer in the AIIMS, Delhi; month-wise and the reasons thereof;

(b) whether lack of funds of 'some thousand rupees' was also a reason due to which some necessary medicines could not be purchased and procured and therefore some 20 operations were kept pednig for some period; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) The month-wise break-up of the cases of Thyroid cancer which could not be treated at the AIIMS Hospital, New Delhi since January, 1987 is as under:—

January—Two,
February—one
March—Two,
May—Two and
June—Two

The AIIMS have informed that they were unable to treat all the thyroid cancer cases due to lack of funds and other facilities such as an isolated room equipped as per the specific requirements prescribed by Bhaba Atomic Research Centre, Bombay.

Permission for American Cola

3770. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government's attention has been drawn to the press report appearing in the Hindustan Times dated the 16th May, 1987 wherein it has been stated that the American Cola has returned to India after nearly a decade since Coca-cola bowed out with the launching of double cola at the Tarapur; and

(b) if so, the circumstances under which the American's Company has again permitted to bring their cola into India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per the information received from the Ministry of Industry, Deptt. of Industrial Development, M/s. Dubble Cola Manufacturing Company (India) Private Limited, Bombay have recently introduced aerated soft drink in the name of 'Double Cola' in the country. Some Non-Resident Indians under the name and style of Double Cola Manufacturing Company (India) Pvt. Ltd., made a proposal in August, 1981 for the establishment of a soft drinks concentrate manufacturing unit in the small scale industries sector. Since the proposal involved 100 per cet equity participation by non-Resident Indians without any repatriation and there was no payment for the import of know how technology, the Company was informed in January 1982 that its proposal did not require government approval for foreign collaboration or grant of letter of intent. Manufacture of soft drink concentrates is a non-scheduled industry and as such it does not require an Industrial Licence under the Industrial Development and Regulation Act.

Change in Timing of Train no. 682 Nagore-Madras Express

3771. SHRI T. R. BALU:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Miister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Member of Parliament has written to General Manager,